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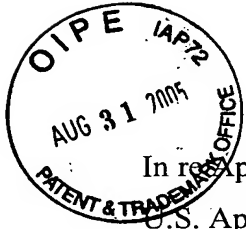
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**REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF AN INFORMATION
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For reasons set forth below, **it is respectfully requested that the PTO file for this application be promptly forwarded to Examiner Phuc H. Tran**, for confirmation that the non-patent documents listed on PTO-1449 attached to the Information Disclosure Statement filed June 24, 2005 have been considered.

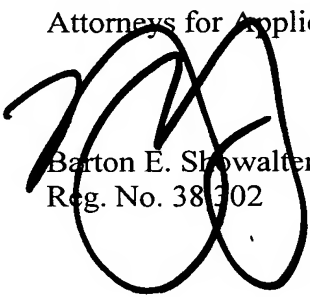
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The Notice of Allowability for this application was mailed on July 29, 2005. Examiner Tran returned a copy of the PTO 1449 form indicating that the US patents listed on the form had been considered but the non-patent documents were not considered because they had not been supplied.

Accordingly, **Applicant hereby requests confirmation of consideration of the previously filed non-patent documents listed on the Information Disclosure Statement filed November 7, 2001 and again on June 24, 2005.** Examiner Tran is requested to initial the non-patent documents listed on the PTO-1449 form to show that they were appropriately considered during examination of this Application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment, or to charge any additional fee required by this paper, to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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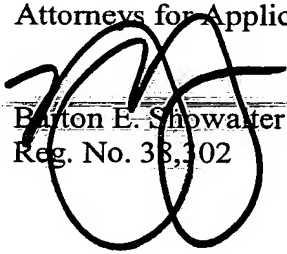
On November 7, 2001 Applicant filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) with PTO-1449 form (four (4) pages) attached, listing the references submitted for consideration. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of the cited references were not furnished. This IDS was received at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 7, 2001 as shown on the returned, date-stamped postcard, copy of which is attached. For the

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An Office Action for this application was mailed on October 5, 2004. However, Examiner Tran has not returned a copy of the PTO-1449 form indicating consideration of the references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed November 7, 2001.

Accordingly, **Applicant hereby requests confirmation of consideration of the previously filed Information Disclosure Statement.** Examiner Tran is requested to initial the references listed on the PTO-1449 form to show that they were appropriately considered during examination of this Application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment, or to charge any additional fee required by this paper, to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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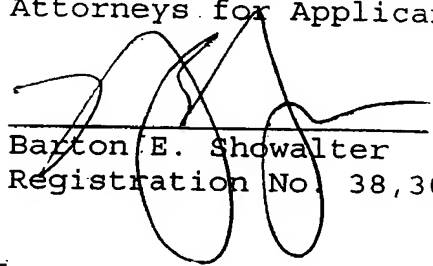
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant respectfully requests, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 form, and previously cited in U.S. Application Serial No. 09/208,626 filed December 8, 1998 by Applicant and entitled "Method and Apparatus for Switching and Managing Bandwidth in an ATM/tdm Network Cross-Connection," be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified continuation patent application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of these references are not being furnished. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(h), no representation is made that these references qualify as prior art or that these references are material to the patentability of the present application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no fee is believed due. If, however, Applicants have overlooked the need for a fee, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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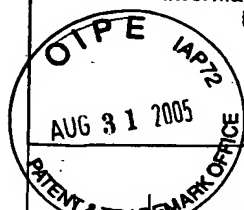
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